

Saturday, May 29, 2021

Saturday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

*Saint Paul VI, Pope; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday*

Wisdom from God is a great gift and gratitude for receiving wisdom returns as praise to God. The chief priests and scribes question Jesus over his actions in the temple, which we heard yesterday. They ask Jesus, “By what authority are you doing these things? Or who gave you this authority to do them?” Jesus asks them a question which they cannot answer, because they are afraid of the crowd who are in awe of Jesus. The chief priests and the scribes will have to discover the answer by allowing God to reveal the truth, if they open their hearts to God. We must do the same. St. Paul VI prayed for the wisdom to write *Humanae Vitae* (Of Human Life). He suffered because of the division it brought within the Church and never wrote another encyclical. However, this document has proven the test of time and has been prophetic in these areas: Infidelity and moral decline; loss of respect for women; abuse of power; and unlimited dominion. For more on this, go to: <https://www3.nd.edu/~afreddos/courses/264/popepaul.htm>

Saint Paul VI, pray for us!

God Love You!

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